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SUBJECT - South American trip of Congressmen

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FOR MISSION DIRECTORS FROM HARDESTY.

- The Sub-committee on Treasury - Post Office Departments Appropriations of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives is planning to visit South America in the near future.
- The Sub-committee will be primarily interested in observing and studying the South American operations of the EX-IM Bank of Washington. Several of the members of this Sub-committee are additionally interested in the activities of FOA and have expressed a desire to give some attention to FOA activities in the countries included in the itinerary.
- The Coast Guard is coordinating the arrangements for this trip and has asked FOA/W to apprise you of their arrival and interest in our program.
- Following is the tentative itinerary as submitted by the Coast Guard to FOA/W: Washington, D.C.

	Arrive:	Nov. 5	Depart:	Nov. 5
San Juan, Puerto Rico	Arrive:	Nov. 8	Depart:	Nov. 7
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	Arrive:	Nov. 13	Depart:	Nov. 12
Buenos Aires, Argentina	Arrive:	Nov. 15	Depart:	Nov. 15
Montevideo, Uruguay	Arrive:	Nov. 17	Depart:	Nov. 17
Asuncion, Paraguay	Arrive:	Nov. 18	Depart:	Nov. 18
Santiago, Chile	Arrive:	Nov. 22	Depart:	XXXXXX Nov. 22
La Paz, Bolivia	Arrive:	Nov. 25	Depart:	XXXXXX Nov. 25
Lima, Peru	Arrive:	Nov. 29	Depart:	Nov. 29
Quito, Ecuador	Arrive:	Nov. 30	Depart:	Nov. 30
Bogota, Colombia	Arrive:	Dec. 2	Depart:	Dec. 2
Caracas, Venezuela	Arrive:	Dec. 5	Depart:	Dec. 4
Washington, D. C.	Arrive:	(All times are local time.)		

5. The tentative list of the official party is as follows:

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a. Names of Members of Congress:

Hon. Gordon Canfield of New Jersey (Republican)
Hon. J. Vaughan Gary of Virginia (Democrat)
Hon. Otto E. Passman of Louisiana (Democrat)
Hon. Alfred D. Sieminski of New Jersey (Democrat)
Hon. Earl Wilson of Indiana (Republican)
Hon. Charles W. Vursell of Illinois (Republican)
(tentative member of official party)
Mr. Robert E. Lambert, Executive Secretary to the Subcommittee

b. Treasury Department:

Mr. David B. Strubinger, Assistant Commissioner of Customs
(entire trip)
Mr. Willard L. Johnson, Budget Officer (entire trip)
Hon. H. Chapman Rose, Assistant Secretary (only to San Juan, P.R.)
Hon. Ralph Kelly, Commissioner of Customs (only to San Juan, P.R.)

c. Export - Import Bank of Washington:

Mr. Raymond L. Jones (entire trip)

d. U. S. Coast Guard:

The following officers will accompany the party for the entire trip:

WADM Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant
CAPT Arthur J. Newford, Chief Liaison Division
CAPT Irvin J. Stephens, Special Assistant and Aide to the Commandant

Crew of Coast Guard aircraft (CG-45147) to be utilized for entire trip will consist of four officers and six enlisted men. (Lieutenant Robert Adamson will be the Plane Commander.)

6. We have assured the group of our utmost cooperation and I am sure you will do all in your power to make their visit interesting and profitable.

LLOYD (ACTING)

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